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FROM:

CC/Chief Counsel

SUBJECT:

Determination Regarding Attendance at the Economic Development

Commission Investors Meeting, May 18, 2011

On May 18, 2011, the Economic Development Commission (EDC) will hold its investor update meeting at the Space Coast Association of Realtors in Merritt Island, Florida. Approximately 100 guests are expected to attend. These guests include NASA officials, members of academia, local elected officials, and representatives from the aerospace industry, local businesses, county and local non-profit organizations, and the media. At the conclusion of the meeting, the EDC will host a networking reception with light refreshments. The ticket price to attend this event is \$45 a person.

I find this event meets the requirements of a "widely attended gathering" as defined in 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g). I further determine that there is an Agency interest in having invited NASA personnel attend. This event will provide an opportunity for reviewing the EDC's plan for economic development and provide an update on the local economy. In addition, attendees will be in a diverse forum conducive to disseminating information on NASA's ongoing and future activities and discussing matters of interest to NASA. Accordingly, NASA employees whose duties do not substantially affect EDC may accept an invitation for complimentary attendance at the event.

NASA employees whose duties may substantially affect EDC, such as by way of procurement duties, should seek an individual determination pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g)(3)(i) regarding participation in this event from the Chief Counsel's Office.

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